



The Old Ironsides Report



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Top NCO tells GIs focus on war on terrorism

By Rick Emert, Stars and Stripes, European edition

GRAFENWÖHR, Germany — Army Sgt. Maj. Jack Tilley made his final visit to Germany this week, bidding adieu to the troops and asking them to stay focused on the war on terrorism.

The Army's top noncommissioned officer spoke with soldiers from 1st Battalion, 77th Armor Regiment as they took a break from tank gunnery training at the Grafenwöhr Training Area on Thursday.

"I want to thank you guys for what you're doing ... and stay focused," Tilley said. "Everything you do out here [during training at Grafenwöhr] will prevent you from getting killed in war."

Tilley, who will retire in mid-January after 35 years of service, also spoke about the importance of making financial preparations for the day the soldiers eventually leave the Army, whether through retirement or separation.

He spoke briefly about some of his duties as the Army's top enlisted soldier, a position he has held since June 2000.

He said one of his most significant duties is presenting issues that affect soldiers to Congress twice a year.

"I generally take four to five issues to Congress each time, and the primary one is almost always increasing pay and benefits for soldiers," he said.

After he spoke, Tilley took questions from the soldiers, including ones on future restructuring of bases and forces in Europe, quality of life for soldiers deployed for the war on terrorism and civilian education issues.

He said he couldn't comment on restructuring and quality of life, since those are secretary of defense issues. But he stressed that soldiers should find a way to take college courses while in the Army.

While 330,000 soldiers deployed to more than 120 locations, Tilley said, many of those troops may have to pursue their education through distance-learning programs, where soldiers can take classes online or through teleconferencing.

Roughly one-fourth of the total Army, including



Sgt. Maj. Of the Army Jack Tilley answers questions posed via phone and e-mail during the American Forces Network-Europe Open Line radio program hosted by Staff Sgt. Scott Malone Oct. 15th. (AFN photo)

members of the Reserves and National Guard, is currently deployed, he said.

"We are spread a little thin right now, and the secretary of defense is looking at that," Tilley said. "The Army is the workhorse of the nation now."

However, he said he doesn't think morale of deployed troops has dropped.

"One of the things I do is talk to soldiers — collect issues they are concerned about and check on morale," he said.

"Morale is not down, and the soldiers continue to work as hard as they can."

Tilley's Europe visit included a trip to Italy on Friday. He plans to go to Kosovo and Bosnia and Herzegovina next week.

NEWS

Bin Laden Said to Warn of Attacks in U.S.

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) - In two new messages broadcast by Al-Jazeera Saturday, a voice purported to be Osama bin Laden threatened countries helping the American occupation of Iraq and warned of new suicide attacks "inside and outside" the United States. The speaker in the audio taped messages also warned Iraqis against cooperating with U.S. forces and urged youth in neighboring nations to join a jihad, or holy war, against the Americans.

Iraq Oil Flow to Turkey Is Halted by Leak

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) - Efforts to resume vital oil exports from northern Iraq, halted for weeks by sabotage, stumbled once more Saturday when the main pipeline to Turkey sprung a leak, Turkish officials said.

Elsewhere, U.S. troops and Iraqi police arrested 11 people, three of them women, who were suspected of links to attacks against U.S. soldiers, witnesses said. The arrests occurred one day after U.S. forces suffered their bloodiest daily combat loss in a month.

Bush Promises to Aid Philippine Military

MANILA, Philippines (AP) - Amid extraordinary security and street demonstrations that forced schedule delays, President Bush on Saturday promised to help the Philippines defeat terrorism by aiding in the modernization of its under-equipped military.

"The terrorists will continue their missions of murder and suicide until they are stopped. And we will stop them," Bush told a joint session of the Philippine Congress

Russian Soyuz Takes Off for Space Station

BAIKONUR, Kazakhstan (AP) - A replacement crew for the international space station roared into space Saturday atop a Russian rocket, the only means of getting there after the U.S. shuttle program was halted in February. The three-man crew is to reach the space station after a two-day trip.

Suspect in Box Cutter Case Warned Feds

WASHINGTON (AP) - The man suspected of hiding box cutters on two airline flights warned the government in an e-mail of his intention to conceal similar suspicious items on six planes and provided dates and locations for the plan, but was not considered a threat, a senior Bush administration official said Saturday.

Federal authorities "reviewed the correspondence and determined this individual did not pose an imminent threat to national security," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

New APO Zips for Soldiers in Iraq

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (Army News Service) -- The U.S. Military Postal Service has assigned new geographic zip codes for units and personnel serving in Iraq.

The intent of the new zip codes is to decrease the time it takes for service members and civilian employees to receive their mail as well as to improve postal service throughout Iraq.

Family members and friends of service members and civilians assigned to V Corps and 3rd COSCOM units that currently use zip code 09302 and 09372 for their letters and packages are now required to use a new zip code that reflects the unit and individual's actual geographic location within Iraq.

The new geographic zip codes are as follows:

Al Asad	09333
Babylon (MND CS)	09332
Balad (LSA Anaconda)	09391
BIAP	09335
Mosul (LSA Diamondback)	09334
Tallil (LSA Adder)	09331
Tikrit (FLB Sycamore)	09393
Umm Qasr (Camp Bucca)	09375
Rasheed	09390
Victory Base	09342
Camp Dogwood	09344

Mail with the zip code of 09302 and 09372 will continue to be delivered to the intended recipient even after the change is in effect, officials said, however they warned there may be a slight delay in delivery. For service members assigned to the below listed units, the zip code numbers will not change, and they remain as follows:

101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) 09325

1st Armored Division 09324

4th Infantry Division 09323

3rd ACR 09320

2nd LCR 09322

82nd Airborne Division 09394, 09384, 09368

173rd Airborne Brigade 09347

Chaplain's Thought for the Day:

Showing Through

Stan Buck tells the story about a little girl who, on the way home from church, turned to her mother and said, "Mommy, the preacher's sermon this morning confused me."

The mother said, "Oh! Why is that?"

The girl replied, "Well, he said that God is bigger than we are. Is that true?"

"Yes, that's true," the mother replied.

He also said that God lives within us. Is that true, too?"

Again the mother replied, "Yes."

"Well," said the girl. "If God is bigger than us and he lives in us, wouldn't he show through?"

I like that little girl's way of putting it. If God lives in us, then there's no way of keeping Him from "showing through."

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)











































Is God "showing through" in your life?

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myafn.net TV SCHEDULES: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2003				As of: Saturday, October 18, 2003 8:38:51 PM		
Start Time	SPORTS	ATLANTIC	SPECTRUM	PACIFIC	KOREA	Start Time
0:00			SISTER ACT			0:00
1:00						1:00
1:30				HEADLINE NEWS	HEADLINE NEWS	1:30
2:00	COLLEGE GAMEDAY	ESPNEWS	SWAMP CRITTERS OF THE LOST LAGOON : - THE SHOT HEARD 'ROUND THE SWAMP	AIR FORCE TV NEWS	AIR FORCE TV NEWS	2:00
2:30		MLB - WORLD SERIES GM 1	HARVEST WITH GREG LAURIE - EPISODE 39	MLB - WORLD SERIES GM 1	MLB - WORLD SERIES GM 1	2:30
2:45	COLLEGE FOOTBALL - SEC: LSU @ SOUTH CAROLINA					2:45
3:00			PRECEPTS FOR LIFE : - SPIRITUAL GIFTS (PT. 1)			3:00
3:30			REAL VIDEOS - AUDIO ADRENALINE (PT. 1)			3:30
4:00			THE SIMPSONS : - LADY BOUVIER'S LOVER			4:00
4:30			THE BERNIE MAC SHOW : - LOCKDOWN			4:30
5:00			EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND : - SILENT PARTNERS			5:00
5:30			THE KING OF QUEENS : - BIG DOUGIE			5:30
5:45	SPORTSCENTER					5:45
6:00		HEADLINE NEWS	AMERICAN DREAMS : - THE FIGHTING IRISH	CELEBRATION OF VICTORY : - SAINTS STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION	CELEBRATION OF VICTORY : - SAINTS STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION	6:00
6:30		HOOR OF POWER - LIFE'S RULES OF ENGAGEMENT		CORAL RIDGE HOUR : - THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD	CORAL RIDGE HOUR : - THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD	6:30
6:45	SPORTSCENTER					6:45
7:00	COLLEGE GAMEDAY	CELEBRATION OF VICTORY : - SAINTS STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION	MAGNUM P.I. : - TORAH TORAH TORAH	THE WORD IN THE WORLD : - DAVID AND BATHSHEBA	THE WORD IN THE WORLD : - DAVID AND BATHSHEBA	7:00
7:30		CORAL RIDGE HOUR : - THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD		CAFE VIDEO : - THE MELTING POT	CAFE VIDEO : - THE MELTING POT	7:30
8:00	INSIDE THE NFL	THE WORD IN THE WORLD : - DAVID AND BATHSHEBA	FAMILY TIES : - BATTLE OF THE SEXES (PT. 2)	HALLOWEENTOWN	AM FUNNIEST HOME VIDEOS	8:00
8:30		CAFE VIDEO : - THE MELTING POT	THE COSBY SHOW : - WHAT HE DID FOR LOVE			8:30
9:00	SPORTSCENTER	BETWEEN THE LIONS : - BOBBY THE HOPPING ROBOT	CHIPS : - HIGH FLYER		HOME IMPROVEMENT : - ADVENTURES IN FINE DINING	9:00
9:30		CLIFFORD THE BIG RED DOG : - TOUGHENOUGH STARS IN YOUR EYES		DISNEY'S PEPPER ANN : - A 'TWEEN HALLOWEEN/ MASH INTO ME	THE SIMPSONS : - THREE MEN AND A COMIC BOOK	9:30
10:00	NASCAR WINSTON CUP SERIES - SAM'S TOWN 250	HALLOWEENTOWN	SWAMP CRITTERS OF THE LOST LAGOON : - THE SHOT HEARD 'ROUND THE SWAMP	WWE SMACKDOWN!	WWE SMACKDOWN!	10:00
10:30			HARVEST WITH GREG LAURIE - EPISODE 39			10:30
11:00			PRECEPTS FOR LIFE : - SPIRITUAL GIFTS (PT. 1)	ANDROMEDA : - THE LEPER'S KISS	ANDROMEDA : - THE LEPER'S KISS	11:00
11:30		DISNEY'S PEPPER ANN : - A 'TWEEN HALLOWEEN/ MASH INTO ME	REAL VIDEOS - AUDIO ADRENALINE (PT. 1)			11:30
12:00		MOTORWEEK	THE SIMPSONS : - LADY BOUVIER'S LOVER	HEADLINE NEWS	HEADLINE NEWS	12:00
12:30	NFL LIVE	EBERT & ROEPER AT THE MOVIES	THE BERNIE MAC SHOW : - LOCKDOWN	ESPNEWS	ESPNEWS	12:30
13:00	SPORTSCENTER	HEADLINE NEWS	EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND : - SILENT PARTNERS	SMALLVILLE : - VORTEX (PT. 2)	SMALLVILLE : - VORTEX (PT. 2)	13:00
13:30		AIR FORCE TV NEWS	THE KING OF QUEENS : - BIG DOUGIE			13:30
14:00	MLB - 2003 WORLD SERIES GM 1: FLORIDA MARLINS @ NY YANKEES	COLLEGE FOOTBALL - INDEPENDENT: USC @ NOTRE DAME	AMERICAN DREAMS : - THE FIGHTING IRISH	MISSION IMPOSSIBLE II	MISSION IMPOSSIBLE II	14:00
15:00			MAGNUM P.I. : - TORAH TORAH TORAH			15:00
16:00			FAMILY TIES : - BATTLE OF THE SEXES (PT. 2)			16:00
16:15				HEADLINE NEWS	HEADLINE NEWS	16:15
16:30			THE COSBY SHOW : - WHAT HE DID FOR LOVE	HEADLINE NEWS	HEADLINE NEWS	16:30
17:00			WWE SMACKDOWN!	CHIPS : - HIGH FLYER	THAT 70'S SHOW : - CAT FIGHT CLUB	17:00
17:30	BASEBALL TONIGHT			ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT	ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT	17:30
18:00	SPORTSCENTER	ANDROMEDA : - THE LEPER'S KISS	SWAMP CRITTERS OF THE LOST LAGOON : - THE SHOT HEARD 'ROUND THE SWAMP			18:00
18:30			HARVEST WITH GREG LAURIE - EPISODE 39	AMERICA'S BLACK FORUM	AMERICA'S BLACK FORUM	18:30
19:00	DISCOVERCARD COUNTDOWN TO GREEN	FOX NFL SUNDAY	PRECEPTS FOR LIFE : - SPIRITUAL GIFTS (PT. 1)	NFL TODAY	NFL TODAY	19:00
19:30	NASCAR WINSTON CUP SERIES - SUBWAY 500		REAL VIDEOS - AUDIO ADRENALINE (PT. 1)			19:30
20:00		NFL - WEEK 7: PACKERS @ RAMS	THE SIMPSONS : - LADY BOUVIER'S LOVER	NFL - WEEK 7: PATRIOTS @ DOLPHINS	NFL - WEEK 7: PATRIOTS @ DOLPHINS	20:00
20:30			THE BERNIE MAC SHOW : - LOCKDOWN			20:30
21:00			EVERYBODY LOVES RAYMOND : - SILENT PARTNERS			21:00
21:30			THE KING OF QUEENS : - BIG DOUGIE			21:30
22:00			AMERICAN DREAMS : - THE FIGHTING IRISH			22:00
23:00		NFL - WEEK 7: REDSKINS @ BILLS	MAGNUM P.I. : - TORAH TORAH TORAH	NFL - WEEK 7: NY JETS @ TEXANS	NFL - WEEK 7: NY JETS @ TEXANS	23:00
23:30	NFL - WEEK 7: BUCCANEERS @ 49ERS *JIP					23:30

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 AIR FORCE	20	 TEMPLE	14	 PURDUE (13)	26
 COLORADO ST.	30	 MIAMI (FL) (2)	52	 WISCONSIN (14)	23
 MISSISSIPPI ST.	13	 MICHIGAN ST. (15)	44	 TEXAS (20)	40
 AUBURN (19)	45	 MINNESOTA (25)	38	 IOWA ST.	19
 ILLINOIS	14	 TEXAS A&M	18	 EAST CAROLINA	38
 MICHIGAN (17)	56	 NEBRASKA (18)	48	 ARMY	32
 GEORGIA (4)	27	 GARDNER-WEBB	37	 NAVY	38
 VANDERBILT	8	 VMI	25	 RICE	6
 SOUTHERN CAL (5)	45	 MISSISSIPPI ST.	13	 IOWA (9)	10
 NOTRE DAME	14	 AUBURN (19)	45	 OHIO ST. (8)	19
 W. MICHIGAN	10	 FLORIDA	33	 WASH. ST. (6)	24
 NORTHERN ILLINOIS (1)	37	 ARKANSAS (11)	28	 STANFORD	14
 MISSOURI (24)	13	 LSU (10)	33	 FLORIDA ST. (7)	19
 OKLAHOMA (1)	34	 SOUTH CAROLINA	7	 VIRGINIA	14